ALL ABOUT QUEER MONEY.

SOME OF THE METHODS OF COUN-TERFEITERS EXPLAINED.

Old and New Schemes for Making Money to Deceive the Unwary-A Few of the Most Dangerous Specimens of the Bogus Note-How to Tell Spurious Coln.

Since the day when Isaac detected the counterfeit ring in the voice of the pretender who tried to pass for Esau there has been no lack of counterfeits in the world. If the great third patriarch, however, lived in these later days, and if he undertook, as one of his daring and moral obliquity doubtless would, to utter counterfeit coin as well as counterfeit pretentions, he would run up against one of the shrewdest and ablest branches of private service ever employed by a human government. He would not, as would have happened a few generations ago in "Merrie Eng-land," be hanged, but he would languish within prison walls for a considerable time, almost beyond question, for almost inevitably

counterfeiters are caught and punished in this As long, however, as men think they can make money more easily than they can earn in Europe.

it, so long will unscrupulous men probably The late brave the perils of the law and continue to has been, and probably never will be, a time when this country, or any other within civilization, is free from the curse of counter-

In the counterfeiting of paper money, however, so much skill and labor and such bulky and costly tools and machinery are necessary that a considerable "plant" has to be established before any damage is done. Nevertheless the counterfeits in actual circulation are numerous enough to necessitate the publication of Dickerman's United States exists and thrives in spite of all this name is for the company. indorsed by the government, and is recognized as reliable by banks, bankers, the subtreasuries and the treasury department.

ing "queer" money. Like all other experts
the shovers of the queer have made great inprovement in their art within the way of makthough a mere youth he was deeply versed in
Sanscrit, Hebrew and Arabic.

Where P. T. Derend Arabic. provement in their art within the last ten First came the photographic bank notes. They were made in two ways, known to experts as the "old" and the "new" methods. By the "old" photographic process the letters, numbers and sometimes the whole back of a note were copied in black. Then they were tinted by a pen and brush and by hand in order to exactly reproduce the colors on the original. This method of "queering money has about disappeared. By the "new method the seal, numbers and color on a bank note are first removed. A negative is then taken from the black which remains, and from this photographs are printed on called for very high stakes. He once played sensitized paper. In order to get the colors an engraved plate is used for all the tinted | Darn, Prince Peter Schouwaloff and Baron parts of a bank note. Thus the numbers are Kolisch-all first rate whist players-for 2,000 printed, as in the genuine, in colors from an franc points and 10,000 francs on the rub. engraved plate.

Another process of "queering" money is counterfeit into eight or ten pieces. One of these pieces is pasted into a genuine note by cutting out a piece of the good note. By pasting, for example, nine good bills in this way, nine other pieces are obtained which with one piece of the "queer" will

make a tenth note. There is again the process known as "raising." This is done by scraping a good note until it is very thin and then pasting in figures and letters of a higher denomination. In this way a \$5 bill was speedily raised to a \$50. Perhaps the most expert "raiser" of money ever in the United States is Pete McCartney, who was arrested in New Orleans for raising \$1 bills to \$50. He has been engaged in counterfeiting for forty years and is now a man over 60. Out west he is called the "King of Konlackers," and the account of his adventres, as given in the secret service records, reads like a romance.

Still another way of "fixing" money is to change the figures of a note by the use of acid a higher number of figure is printed in the place from a plate. It is very difficult for the counterfeiter to keep the acid from stain ing or bleaching the paper. If the chemicals spread, then the surrounding letters present nore or less of a damaged appearance

Of course engraved counterfeits are usually the most dangerous of all. A very fine counterfeit \$50 bill was issued some years ago from a series of plates by the celebrated Charles E. Ulrich. The hundred bills printed from a series of plutes engraved in Brooklyn by Charles Smith for William E. Brockway were but little less perfect than gennine.

sterfeit from every point of view was a \$500 United States note of the series of 1869. It was about equal to the gen uine in skill and workmanship. So dangerous was the counterfelt that the treasury departout decided to notine all the notes of that isue, and today only a few of the genuine remain in circulation, and, the banks receive hem only for deposit.

These great obstacles have thus far stood in the way of the cleverest counterfeiters the fiber paper, the geometrical lathe work and the paper known as the Crane patent, with the silk threads ronning lengthwise throughout the note. So, too, the lathe work has defied the most persistent efforts of the counterfeiter, and consequently lathe work is the chief feature in all bank note engraving. By the simple turning of a screw patterns are arbitrarily formed and certain figures are made which can be reproduced only with the greatest difficulty, even by the operator a second time. The borders, corners, eval and circular forms on bank notes are all formed by the geometrical lathe. Those who are in the habit of handling much money always pay close attention to these

In counterfeit coins there has been a tremendons business done, especially since the resumption of specie payments after the war, The varieties are almost endless, owing to the workmen of an interior grade of skill. The easiest method is by the use of a plaster of

## Nervous Prostration,

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imitated is the five cent nickel. It is not milled, and there is little difficulty in imi-tating the metal. The counterfeiters of this tating tae metal. The counterfeiters of this coin, the secret service people say, are mostly Italians. The melded counterfeits, however, can generally be detected by their appearance, and therefore the most skillful criminals use a die, and strike off coin that it is difficult

For detecting counterfeit coin, compare the impress, size, weight, ring and general appearance with the genuine coin of the same period and coinage, and if we take the three tests of weight, diameter and thickness, it will be found almost impossible for the coun-terfeiter to comply with these three tests without using genuine metal.

without using genuine metal.

With coin the game is generally played in one of three ways. They are either sweated, plugged or illied. The sweating is done by taking off from 5 to 10 per cent. of the coin with a file or acids. To "plug" a coin is to bore a hole in it and fill the hole with baser metal. The hole is made generally near or on the edge, and the outside of the "plug" is covered with genuine metal. In "filling" the process is more elaborate, and the coin is sawed partly or entirely in two, and then after the center is scooped out the two parts are skillfully joined again.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

The new German chancellor, Gen. Caprivi, is an inveterate smoker,

Arthur Rothschild has sold his famous collection of postage stamps for the sum of \$60,000. Alphonse Daudet and Prince Bismarck have

smoked more tobacco than any other two men

The late Rev. Dr. Joseph Nushima was the first Japanese educated in an American colmake spurious coins and bills. There never lege. He was graduated at Amherst and at The late Ezra Marble, of Fall River, Mass.,

was the man who set up and put in operation the first calico printing machine ever used in the United States. He was 83 years old. Andrew Carnegie is 55 years old. He had less than \$100 twenty-six years ago, but since that time he has made \$56,000,000, of which he now holds \$30,000,000 in his own right.

Actor Crane's first appearance on the stage the publication of Dickerman's United States was in Utica, where in an emergency he took Counterfeit Detector and Bankers and Merchants' Journal. The monthly magazine which | ment." He was at that time baggage boy

Professor Max Muller, the eminent Orientalist and philologist, went to England without knowing a single word of English. Al-

known English circus manager the latter re-marked, "We shall meet again in heaven, my dear Barnum." The American looked thoughtful for a moment, and then said: "Yes, if you

The late Baron Dowse, the joking Irish judge, once told an American that it was better to have a small career in Ireland than a great one in England, because in Ireland when one said funny things people understood them, and that made life worth living.

Count Andrassy had a splendid nerve at the card table, and when he played at all three rubbers of whist with the late Count

Bishop Potter, speaking of the rush of our modern life, says: "Well nigh everybody in known as "plecing." This consists in cutting a great city is driving an engine. He is running himself on a schedule, and the demand upon him all the while is to crowd just a little more work or sport or excitement into the day than his nervous machinery will stand."

Rutherford B. Hayes, who served under the late Gen. Crook during the war, in a tender tribute to his memory, says: "No statesman or philanthropist in his closet has framed theories for uplifting the red men more worthy a just, generous and powerful nation than the practical measures which

Gen, Crook devised." Sir Peter Coats, of Auchendrane, Scotland, se industrial enterprise is as well known in Rhode Island as in the country north of the Tweed, figures prominently in one of Charles Dickens' most popular novels. For to have been the originals of "Cheeryble Brothers" in "Nicholas Nickleby,"

GEMS OF THOUGHT.

A false flag means a rotten keel below. One thorn of experience is worth a whole

wilderness of warning. Try to regard present verations as you

will regard them a month hence. There is no surer way of having every-

body's help than by trying yourself to help everybody.

The world is like a looking glass. Laugh at it and it laughs back; frown at it and it

The chief secret of comfort lies in not suffering trifles to vex us, and in cultivating our undergrowth of small pleasures.

Self culture is the storage of power. It beautiful world than idleness and ignorance

The infliction of pain as a punishment is only justified when the inflictor is certain

or as nearly certain as can be that the pain will be productive of good. Take time; it is no use to foam or fret, or do as the angry housekeeper who has got

hold of the wrong key, and pushes, shakes and rattles it about the lock until both are broken and the door is still unopened. It is the habitual thought that frames it-self into our life. It affects us even more than our intimate social relations do. Our confidential friends have not so much to do

in shaping our lives as thoughts have which To try too hard to make people good is one way to make them worse; the only way to make good is to be good-remembering well the beam and the mote. The time for

speaking comes rarely; the time for being Saving is a practice best begun early-and for this reason. It is a habit, and, like all habits, easily planted in a child, but taking root with difficulty in an adult. It is no kindness to teach children to spend, unless you can insure them money to spend to their

lives' end .- Montreal Star. Royal Conclave of Knights and Ladies. The supreme officers are about to start a mammoth council to be located in Boston and to number not less than 1,000 members. The charter list has already been opened and a number of applications enrolled. Meetings will be held at the office of the supreme secretary every day for the purpose of obligating members and giving the secret work.

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was written by Robert Robinson, and was the earliest of his many lyrics. Bishop Heiser will doubtless be longest re membered by virtue of his having written "From Greenland's Icy Mountains."

The author of "Just as I Am, Without One Plea," was Miss Charlotte Elliott, a daughter of one Charles Elliott, of Clapham, England. Phoebe Carv. Alice Carv's tenderly loved sister, has left an imperishable name behind her because she wrote: "One sweetly solemn thought comes to me o'er and o'er.

Timothy Dwight, one of the early presi Yale college, was the author of "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," a hymn greatly endeared to the church everywhere.

What bymn, or, indeed, what service has Charles Wesley written or rendered which will endear his memory to so many people erywhere as the hymn, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul!"

"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy," which is always a great favorite during sea sons of religious awakening, was composed by Joseph Hart, a native of London, in which city he was born in 1712,

"Coronation," or what is otherwise known as "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," was written by the Rev. Edward Perronet. He was reared in the Church of England, in which connection his father was a prominent

Walter Shirley, an English knight, as also a preacher, died in 1796. He was one of the celebrated Penn converts, and labored with great success both in England and Ireland. He composed that grand hymn, "Sweet the ments Rich in Blessing.' "Son of My Soul, Thou Saviour Dear," was

composed by John Keble, the eminent English divine, and while he is remembered as the author of many choice volumes the one effort of his by which his name will live ongest is this beautiful hymn. Keble died in

Little did Joseph P. Webster and his friend Bennett realize when they wrote "Sweet By and By" that their names would go down to history as the joint composers of song which has found an abiding place in all Christian hearts, as it will always find such a place till time's latest hour.

The hymn which of all others has made the Rev. Ray Palmer's name a household word in thousands upon thousands of Christian homes in all lands is "Olivet," beginning with the words, "My faith looks up to thee." No more popular hymn has been written in any age than this one, which is characterized by

One of the most popular hymns among all religious bodies is the one called "Bethany," or "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Sarah Fuller Flower wrote it. She was the see New York Star.

INDIAN MARRIAGE EXPENSES

The gift to be paid at the time of the pros tration of the bride before her mother-in-law is limited to seven rupees.

The payment on account of the ceremon when the bridgeroom touches the fringe of his mother-in-law's dress must not go beyond

It is expressly provided also that in no case shall the father or guardian of the bride take any money from the other on account of giving his daughter.

The number of dinner parties given by the bride's family is not to be more than five, and the number of guests at each must not be

more than twenty-five. The payment on account of mahi matla, or ful inquiry and investigation they have re-the gift of an earthen pot with eatables when the bridegroom's party depart after the mar-riage, shall not exceed five rupees at the out-is \$303.75, against a cost when electricity is

presents to be given at the betrothal by the father or guardian of the bride to the father or guardian of the bridegroom "shall not exceed one rupee and seven suparis or

When the bridegroom is invited to a social

evening at his father-in-law's house the amount to be paid to him is not to exceed two rupees, nor shall he take with him on

such occasions more than five men. The present to be given by the bride's father may be as small as one rupee, but must under no circumstances exceed 100, and whatever the sum be it must be expended on ornaments, which will be the wife's property

through life and her husband's after. The marriage party going to the bride's village is not to spend more than thirty rupees, and when the bride goes to her hus-band's house with her first child the amount to be paid to the bridegroom's friends is not to be more than eleven rupees and may be as | CAPITAL, Paid Up, \$100,000. low as one rupee.

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HINTS ON READING,

Have the reading lesson studied in advance

by the pupil. Select the best newspaper from the literary and moral standpoint for school reading.

Let the pupils read silently and then aloud Virst gain the thought and then express it. Require the substance of paragraphs and of whole pieces to be given in the pupil's own words.

The meaning of new words should be de-veloped, sometimes by showing their use in sentences and sometimes by definitions. A vocal drill should precede the reading. This should be the key to the proper expres

sion of the sentiment in pitch, force, time and quality of voice. The proper sentiment is to be created by causing in the pupil a lively picturing of perons and places and of speech and action.

Feeling is caused by knowing. The pronunciation of difficult words should be taught by directing the children's attention to the syllables and letters as signs of sounds, and also by the example of the teacher.

The class should have a thorough drill on a few chosen pieces to create a standard of ex-This drill should be in concert to avoid diffidence; and individually, in order to secure independence and to give an opportunity for criticism.

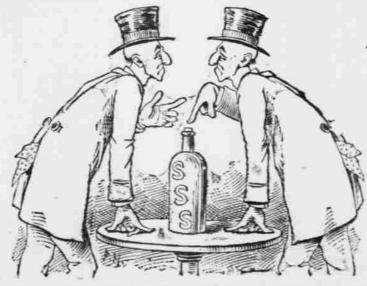
Emphasis and inflection should be taught mainly from within, that is, by leading the pupil to a clear comprehension of the thought, but at times example is best. A few rules, as for instance, those relating to new or contrasted ideas, should be taught inductively. Drill on passages in the lesson and on the ele nentary sounds, to establish correct habits of nflection and emphasis, should not be omitted. -Journal of Education.

Animals That Eat with Their Gizzard. The cuttle-fish, which, among other strange ter of Benjamin Flower, of England, and was things, always walks with its head down married in 1834 to a civil engineer by the ward, does not chew its food at all, but mas name of Adams. She died in 1849, at the age ticates with its gizzard. So do geese, fowls, of 44, and lies buried near Harlow, in Essex.

ducks and indeed all modern birds. Seizing New York Star.

their food in their beaks, they swallow it whole, if grain or seed, and in large pieces if it be fruit or bread. In that condition it goes into the gizzard, a powerful muscle with a very tough, horny lining, which acts as a mill, being sufficiently powerful to pulverize uncooked corn. To assist in the milling process all grain-eating birds swallow little pieces of gravel, glass, crockery, metal, etc., the horny interior of the gizzard being sufficiently tough to escape cutting by these materials. because of this fact that the ostrich has acquired his reputation of enjoying a ferrugin-

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